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MR. HYDE: I will read prosecution's document 1382, which is in evidence as Item 11 of exhibit No. 486, and which has been assigned exhibit No. 486-K. It is a statement through Ribbentrop of an agreement made by Germany and Italy as to the importance of immediate participation by Japan in a tri-partite military alliance.

(Whereupon prosecution's document No. 1382, having previously been marked prosecution's exhibit No. 486-K as a part of exhibit No. 486 was read into the record.)

MR. HYDE: (Reading)

"Berlin, 15 May 1939, German Embassy, Tokyo."

Transmitted "Telegram in Ciphers" (Secret

Cirher Process).

"Exclusively for the Ambassador personally in ensuer to telegram No. 197.

"The other day I informed Ambassador OSHIMA in agreement with the Italian Government regarding the German and Italian viewpoint as follows:

- "(1) The German and Italian Governments are willing to continue political line they had followed up to the present toward Japan unchanged.
- "(2) The two Governments have decided to sign a bilateral pact of alliance during this month

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because they find it proper to counter the political activities displayed by the Western Powers for propa-ganda purposes with a quick counter-action. "(3) Tri-lateral negotiations Berlin-Rome-

THE PRESIDENT: Well, the Tribunel takes judicial notice of the fact that such an alliance was made at that time between those Powers.

MR. HYDE: I will read prosecution's document 1381 in evidence as Item 12 of exhibit 486, and which has been assigned exhibit No. 486-L. It relates to the Japanese protest over the conclusion of the German-Russian non-Aggression Treaty.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

(Whereupon prosecution's document No.

1381, having previously been marked prosecution's exhibit No. 486-L as a part of exhibit 486 was.

read into the record.

MR. HYDE: (Reading)

"Telegram (Secret Cipher Process) Tokyo,
25 August 1939, 8:40 o'clock. Arrival: 25 August
1939, 2130 o'clock." Marked "Most Urgent." "In
answer to Telegram No. 260 of 22 August." Marked
"For the State Secretary, Secret."

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